Third Member of Council.—

Do you admit the Panchamas into your temples ?

Mr. B. S. Puttaswamy.—

Why not, if the Government so order ?

Third Member of Council.—

There is so much trouble in getting them admitted into the schools; such being the case, it cannot be expected that they will be easily admitted into the temples.

BY MR. K. P. PARASIVIAH—(Kankanhalli Urban):—

Q.—3. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(1) the number of goats in the State ;

(2) the number of sheep in the State ;

(3) the amount of tax recovered in 1926-27 on account of goats;

(4) the amount of tax recovered in 1926-27 on account of sheep.

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—3. (1) 1,742,017.

(2) 2,492,021.

(3) and (4) Information as to Octroi and other taxes levied in the Municipalities for the year will be called for.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. K. P. Parasiviah.—

What is the rate levied per head of goat for browzing in the State Forests ?

Third Member of Council.—

I want notice.

Mr. K. P Parasiviah.—

Have the difficulties of the raiyats on this account been brought to the notice of the Government ?

Third Member of Council.—

The present question does not refer to fees for grazing goats in State Forests. If you want to raise that matter, a separate question should be put.

BY MR. B. S. RANOJI RAO (Minority Interest, Bangalore).—

Q.—4. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(1) whether they have investigated into the possibilities of using khadder of suitable colours for the uniforms of officials in the Police and Excise Departments, for the dress of the menial establishments in the various Government offices where Government supplies such dress, for the dress of the in-patients in the various Government hospitals and for other uses in the hospitals such as towels, etc., for the dress of the Railway porters, and for dafter chowks and table cloths in the various offices ;

(2) if so, the result thereof in detail ; if they have not done so so far, whether there is any objection to their doing so ;

(3) whether the Government have passed orders that the Stores Purchase Committee should buy khadder goods for the purposes mentioned in (1) *supra* wholesale and supply them to the departments concerned;

(4) whether there is any objection to increase the number of the official members on the Stores Purchase Committee from 6 to 8 so as to include the Inspector-General of Police and the Excise Commissioner and the number of the non-official members from 2 to 4 and to elect two of such non-official members from the Representative Assembly ;

(5) whether they have passed orders directing the Stores Purchase Committee to buy the entire stock of khadder produced by the " Khadi Karyalaya," established by Government at Badanavala for distribution among the departments noted in para (1) above.

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—4. (1) Yes.

(2) and (3) It has been arranged to use as far as possible home-spun cloth of the Badanaval Centre for liveries of office servants, uniforms, clothing of ward boys, hospital linen, etc.

(4) No change in the strength or composition of the Committee is considered necessary.

(5) *Vide* answers to (2) and (3).